## SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

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IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSURE PROCEEDINGS

RE: KAREN M. GERDES, LPN

LETTER OF REPRIMAND

License No. P008519

Licensee.

TO: Karen M. Gerdes 312 N. Liberty Ave. Madison, SD 57042

The South Dakota Board of Nursing ("Board") met in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, for its regular meeting on June 11, 2015. At that meeting the Board was advised of your failure to renew your license in April 2014 and that you have been working on a lapsed license for a period of over one year.

Based on the information provided to the Board, the Board has determined that your conduct is in violation of its policy as well as SDCL § 36-9-49(9) in that you have engaged in the practice of nursing during a time which your license was lapsed.

Therefore, the Board, according to the disciplinary procedures outlined in ARSD 20:48:08, issues this Letter of Reprimand.

This final action is reportable discipline and will be published in the Board's newsletter, posted on its website, and reported into the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) as required by law. As this is a reportable discipline, you are required to provide an affirmative response to inquiries of disciplinary action on further renewals and other nursing related inquiries.

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Letter of Reprimand Licensee: Karen M. Gerdes

Dated this day of June, 2015.

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

Gloria Damgaard, RN, MS

**Executive Director**